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Disaster Response and Recovery

Course Description

This two-day course will cover the basic concepts and operational procedures involved in responding to major disasters. It will address Federal, State, and local roles and responsibilities in major disaster recovery work. An emphasis will be placed on intergovernmental coordination. Included is a review of response checklists, an overview of preliminary damage assessment and disaster assistance program.

Course Objectives

- Differentiate between a disaster and an emergency
- Learn roles and responsibilities of the county/local and/or state governments in responding to local emergencies/disasters.
- Describe the initial damage assessment reporting requirements for county/local governments, and also their role in the Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) process.
- Describe the sequence of events leading up to requesting and subsequently receiving a Presidential Disaster Declaration.

- Familiarization of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) role in the Declaration process.
- Identify ways to incorporate hazard mitigation measures into disaster recovery planning and operations.
- Familiarization with local, state, and federal floodplain management regulations.

Course Length

- 16 hours

Prerequisite

- None

Target Audience/Discipline

- Emergency Management Directors and staff